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COMPUTER SECURITY SUBCOMMITTEE

OF THE

UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SECURITY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting
Held at CIA Headquarters
Langley, Virginia
31 May 1974

    1. The seventy-ninth meeting of the Computer Security Subcommittee of the United States Intelligence Board Security Committee was held between 0940 and 1140 hours on 31 May 1974 in Room 4E-64, CIA Headquarters Building. In attendance were:

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Mr. Louis C. Kachulis. State Member

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Major John C. Karp, Army Member
Mr. Carl R. Lambert, Navy Member
Captain Frederick R. Tucker, Air Force Member

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Mr. John H. Skaggs, FBI Member
Mr. Michael F. Murphy. Treasury/USSS Member

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Mr. Eugene V. Epperly, O/DASD(SP) Observer

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    2. The security level of the meeting was TOP SECRET SI/TK.

3. Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the 22 February 1974 Subcommittee Meeting (M-78) were approved as written.

4. Computer Security Subcommittee Status Report: The Chairman indicated that due to his recent reassignment within the Agency he would probably be unable to attend future Subcommittee meetings. He stated that until such time as the United States Intelligence Board completed action on revision of Director of Central Intelligence Directive 1/11,   the CIA member of the Subcommittee would act as Chairman.   STAT

5. Community Limited Access Intelligence Register (CLAIRE): The Chairman followed with a briefing on CLAIRE. He indicated that the USIB had received a similar briefing at their most recent meeting. This Register, suggested by the Director, Central Intelligence, was being designed within the Agency as a computerized data base listing all compartmented or sensitive programs within the Federal Government and personnel cleared for access to same. The System, using a mini-computer accessible over ordinary telephone lines would respond verbally "yes" or "no" to indicate the status of an individual (identified by name and Social Security number) viz-a-viz clearance for access to a given program.

6. Intelligence Community Policy Paper on Computer Security: The Acting Chairman supplied attendees with an outline for the policy paper and reported on the completion of a rough draft of the paper encompassing all but two sections contained in the outline. The Acting Chairman requested the Army member to review the draft for substance and accuracy and to respond to the Acting Chairman as soon as possible so that the draft could be completed by the next meeting.

7. Computer Security Threat Analysis Update: The Acting Chairman indicated that two organizations, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Central Intelligence Agency, were delinquent in their submissions. The FBI member indicated a dearth of information available since the September 1970 update and stated only one case indirectly concerned with this subject had been surfaced to date. He indicated he would submit this case for consideration.

8. Other Business:

a. The Acting Chairman discussed the planned formation of a Federal Information Processing Standards Task Group on computer system security. He distributed a memorandum on the topic written by Mr. Harry S. White, Jr., Associate Director for ADP Standards, National Bureau of Standards.

b. A roster of the Subcommittee membership was distributed with the caveat that corrections be submitted to the Acting Chairman so that a complete and accurate roster could be published and distributed at the next meeting.

c. Mr. Eugene Epperly surfaced a potential inaccuracy in the Intelligence Community Policy for the Release of Magnetic Storage Media paper. He stated that certain storage media contained tracking data which, if erased or overwritten, would render the media unusable. The National Security Agency member indicated that overwrite and degaussing instructions referred to the classified data and not to all data on the storage device. No correction to the procedures as stated was deemed necessary.

9. The next Subcommittee meeting was not scheduled.

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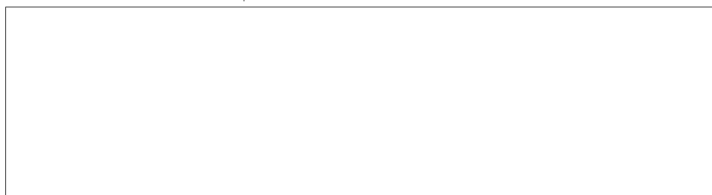
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Computer Security Subcommittee